

RCE #
11W**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Aiko OKAJIMA
Title: IMAGE FORMING DEVICE AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE SAME
Application No.: 10/026,721
Application Filing Date: 12/27/2001
Examiner: V. Rudolph
Art Unit: 2625
Confirmation Number: 1989

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

- ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on April 7, 2006.
☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ___ but not considered.
☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on ___.

b. Enclosed are:

- ☐ Amendment/Reply.
☒ Credit Card Form. 05/11/2006 JADD01 00000019 10026721
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s). 01 FC:1801 790.00 OP
02 FC:1251 120.00 OP
☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(c):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	3	- 20	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	3	- 3	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$360.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$790.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[X] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	1	\$120.00
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00		\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00		\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00		\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00		\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$120.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$120.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$910.00
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
TOTAL FEE:			\$910.00

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$910.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date May 10, 2006

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